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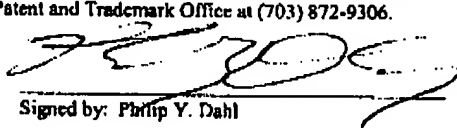
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- ☒ 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1) - Extension within first month
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